Managing Director and Chief Vigilance Officer in NCCF as required under the said Rules, if so, when;

(c) whether it is a fact that these posts were never advertised or circulated; and

(d) if so, how these posts are allowed to be filled up in violation of law and what action is being contemplated to remove unlawful appointed officer and for fixing responsibility thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI D. L. BAITHA): (a) After the enforcement of the Act and Rules, the National Cooperative Societies Selection Committee cleared the following 10 proposals in respect of national cooperative societies:—

(1) IFFCO	4 posts of Executive Directors.
(2) National Coop, Dairy Federation of India Ltd.	Managing Director
(3) KRIBHCO	Managing Director
(4) NCCF	Managing Director
(5) National Fedn. of Coop. Sugar Factories Limited	Managing Director
(6) All India Fedn. of Coop. Spinning Mill.	Managing Director
(7) NAFED	Managing Director

(b) to (d) The appointment of the former Managing Director of the NCCF was approved by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet, National Cooperative Societies Selection Committee and the Administrator of the NCCF before he took over on 9th December, 1987. The Central Government have extended the jurisdiction of the Central Vigilance Commission to cover Multi State Coop. Societies. The appointment of Chief Vigilance Officer of NCCF was approved by the competent authority, as per the prescribed procedure.

Amount sanctioned by the Prime Minister for Environmental Development of slum areas in Delhi

1024. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister has sanctioned Rs. 50 crore plan for environmental improvement in slum areas of Delhi;

(b) if so, what are the details of the plan and the total estimated cost thereof; and

(c) what action has been taken and proposed to be taken in persuance thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (c) Delhi Administration has two schemes namely. (i) environmental improvement in notified slums and (ii) the provision of minimum basic facilities in jhuggie jhonpri basties not formally notified as slums. Against an approved outlay of Rs. 30 crore in the Seventh Five Year Plan, a sum of Rs. 32.7 crore had been released till the year 1987-88 and an outlay of Rs. 13 crores has been approved for the year 1988-89. The minimum basic amenities are comprised of water supply at community level, street light poles for illumination of streets, drains for the flow of waste water from sewers, paved path ways, widening of streets, dhalaos, multi purpose community facility complexed with provisions for Barat Ghar, library and social welfare centre and vyamshalas in the notified slum areas. In the jhuggie jhonpri complexes the facilities which are being provided are 'pay and use' toilets and bath rooms, water supply, dhalaos and street light poles. 13 lakh slum dwellers had been covered by these facilities in the notified slum areas till the end of September, 1988 in the Seventh Plan period and a popula-

tion of 3.25 lakh had been covered in the jhuggie jhonpri clusters till the end of Octooer, 1988.

Shut down of units under the Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation

1025. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that four fertilizer units under the Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation are on the verge of shut down as a result of trade union activities;

(b) if so, what is the precise situation indicating the industrial relations prevailing in these units; and

(c) what steps are being taken and have been taken by Government to avert eventual shut down of the units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. PRABHU): (a) No, Sir; whereas Barauni, Namrup I, II and III plants of Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation are running, Durgapur plant which was shutdown for annual maintenance in July, has not yet resumed production due to slow progress of maintenance on account of low productivity of labour.

(b) Although there are no maojr industrial relations problems like strike, lockout etc. there are frequent instances of indiscipline affecting adversely productivity and maintenance of the plants.

(c) With a view to identifying the reasons for unsatisfactory performance of Durgapur, Barauni and Namrup I and II Plants. foreign consultants were appointed for their end-to-end survey. The foreign consultants recommended rehabilitation of these plants and their recommendations are being processed for a decision. Captive power plants have been installed at Durgapur and Namrup in order to avoid production loss on account of power cuts/ failures; while at Barauni a captive power plant is under installation.

Incentive for Food Processing Industry

1026. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the increasing potential of foodgrains and food products in the country Government have chalked out a special food processing industries programme to help the farmers and encourage agricultural yield;

(b) if so, whether on September 19, 1988, an economic package offering incentive for both the sectors and for removing impediment has been commenced by Government; if so. the details of the package; and

(c) what steps have been taken by Government to ensure that the benefits of the incentives and the economic package in general is passed on to the consumer?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir, Press Note issued in this connection is enclosed. (*See* Appendix CXLVIII, Annexure No. 46.)

(c) Details are being worked out to provide specific incentives

Procurement of basmati rice

1027. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD: will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to procure basmati rice under levy system;

(b) if so, what is the procurement price fixed therefor; and what were the reasons leading to this decision; and

(c) what is the reaction of farmers and traders including exporters thereto?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI D. L. BAITHA): (a) to (c) Levy on basmati rice has been re-introduced to check evasion of levy by